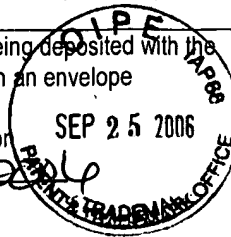


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**AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on march 22, 2006.

Accordingly, the following documents are enclosed herewith.

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months; and
- 2) A Request for a Change in Correspondence Address.

Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.

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